Spooky Fun for Less

Don't be tempted to buy Halloween costumes when you can create frighteningly spooky dress-ups from supplies you already have at home.

Face Paint

1 tsp corn flour
1/2 tsp water
1/2 tsp cold cream
food colouring

Mix all ingredients together in an old muffin pan and you are ready to paint. This amount makes one colour.

Fake Wound

1 tbsp Vaseline
Facial tissue
cocoa powder
2-3 drops red food colouring

Place Vaseline in a bowl. Add food colouring. Blend with a toothpick. Stir in a pinch of cocoa to make a darker blood colour. Separate tissue. Using 1 layer, tear a 5cm x 7cm piece and place at wound site. Cover with petroleum jelly and mould into the shape of a wound. The centre should be lower than the sides. Fill the centre with the red petroleum jelly mixture. Sprinkle centre with some cocoa. Sprinkle a little around the edges of the wound to make darker.

Spider Webs

Pull the tape from old video cassettes to create spider webs. Stretch out cotton balls for smaller webs and place them in corners, on shelves etc

Glass Jack-o-Lantern

Draw the outline of a pumpkin face on a pasta sauce jar with black paint. The paint around the outside of it with orange paint. Place a tea light inside for a jack-o-lantern.

Abrasions

Dab brown, red and black eye shadow on area. Apply blood over area with cotton balls. Use comb to gently scratch area in one direction. Apply cocoa or dirt over wound with cotton balls.

Black Eye

Apply red and blue eye shadow to depressions around eyes.

Bruises

Rub red and blue eye shadow over bony area to simulate recent bruises. Use blue and yellow eye shadow to create older bruises.

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